

**Application No.:** 10/572,404  
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**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1-17. (Canceled)

18. (Currently amended) A method for improving hyperglycemia, which comprises administering a drug comprising 0.001 to 10% by dry mass of 9,19-cyclolanostan-3-ol or ~~24-methylene-9,19-cyclolanostan-3-ol~~ to a subject whose hyperglycemia is to be improved.

19-23. (Canceled)